Fake Certificate Racket

1125. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item 'Fake certificate racket busted, 3 held" published in the Asian Age dated 10th May, 2002;

(b) if so, the Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) the preventive and corrective measures to be adopted in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SHRIMATI RITA VERMA]: (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) When the reports regarding operation of certain Fake Boards initially came to the notice of the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) a few years back, complaints were filed by the Board before the Police for taking appropriate action under the law against bogus Board called All India Board of Secondary Education, Delhi who had been issuing fake certificates. On January 27, 2000, Ministry of Human Resource Development also wrote a letter to the Commissioner of Police, Delhi for taking prompt action against fake Boards and institutions. Pursuant to the complaints filed by the CBSE and finally by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, the Commissioner of Police, Delhi *vide his* circular dated 4th April, 2000 has directed all the police officials that in case any fake educational institution has come to notice or any complaint received against these institutions, prompt action should be taken against them as per law. The names of four fake Boards including that of All India Board of Secondary Education have been mentioned in this circular. The Ministry of Human Resources Development as well as the CBSE have constituted a Malpractices Cell to monitor illegal activities of fake institutions and take appropriate action wherever required. A number of Fake Boards have been identified and publicised through the quarterly magazine of the CBSE and its website. Directorate of Education, Govt, of NCT of Delhi had also issued a Public Notice in National dailies on 29.1.1999 advising students and their guardians that four institutions including the "All India Board of Secondary Education, Delhi' are not listed amongst the accredited Boards and that the certificates awarded by them are not recognised.